GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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FREEDOM FIGHTERS OF HYDERABAD LIBERATION MOVEMENT
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the freedom fighters of the Hyderabad Liberation movement are not getting pension from the Union Government;

(b) whether some proposals regarding the freedom fighters of the Hyderabad Liberation movement have been lying pending;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for pendency; and

(d) the time by which these proposals are likely to be senctioned?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): Pension under the Swatantarta Sainik Samman Pension Scheme,1980 has already been sanctioned to about 7,000 cases of freedom fighters of the Hyderabad Liberation Movement by the Union Government.

(b) & (c): The Government of India had constituted a special Screening Committee to scrutinise the claims for Samman Pension on the grounds of participation in border camps during Hyderabad Liberation Movement.Since some complaints were received about the cases recommended by the Committee, all these cases were referred to the State Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra for verification of claims. So far 2963 verification reports from State Governments have been received and action has already been initiated to process these cases.

(d): While all efforts are being made to dispose off these cases as early as possible no time-frame can be indicated